In the Claims:

Please amend claims 1, 2, 10, 13 and 20 as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently amended): A handheld fish catching device comprising:

a handle including a first handle end and an opposing second handle end, and a body wherein the body is a tube having a solid side wall, unitary construction, a first body end and an opposing second body end, the first body end defining a first opening having a first diameter that is ~~slightly larger than~~ substantially the same as a width of a fish and enables the fish to enter the tube and to be removed from the tube, the second body end including a fixed end wall constructed to prevent the fish from exiting or being removed from the second body end ~~of the tube~~, the fixed end wall defining a single, second opening having a second diameter, the second diameter being less than the first diameter and less than the width of the fish to prevent the fish from exiting through the second opening, wherein said first handle end ~~the handle~~ is non-rotatably connected to the body along an outer surface of the body and is constructed to prevent the fish from entering said first handle end.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): The fish catching device according to claim 1, wherein the second body end has a plurality of openings through which water flows.

Claim 3 (Previously Presented): The fish catching device according to claim 1, wherein the body is made of plastic.

Claim 4 (Previously Presented): The fish catching device for catching fish according to claim 3, wherein the plastic is opaque.

Claim 5-6 (Cancelled)

Claim 7 (Previously Presented): The fish catching device according to claim 1, wherein the handle and body are made of plastic.

Claim 8 (Cancelled).

Claim 9 (Previously Presented): The fish catching device according to claim 1, wherein the handle has non-slip features.

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): A handheld fish catching device comprising:

a handle with a slip resistant surface, said handle including a first end and a second end, said first end defining an opening, said second end being distally located from the first end and including ~~an~~ a solid end wall constructed to prevent a fish from entering said second end of said handle, said second end of said handle being non-rotatably connected to an outer surface of a body of unitary construction having a first end and a second end, the body defining a solid outer wall and a solid inner wall, the inner wall being generally smooth and forming a longitudinal chamber within the body, the first end of the body defining a first opening having a first diameter that is ~~slightly larger than~~substantially the same as a width of a fish and enables the fish to enter the chamber and to be removed from the chamber, the chamber is of a sufficient length so that at least a substantial portion of the length of the fish is in the chamber, and the second end of the body having a fixed end wall defining a single, second opening having a second diameter that is less than the first diameter and less than the width of the fish to prevent the fish from exiting or being removed from the second end of the body.

Claim 11 (Cancelled)

Claim 12 (Cancelled)

Claim 13 (Currently Amended): A handheld fish catching device comprising a handle having a first end and a second end, and a unitary body, said first end of said handle being non-movably connected to ~~the handle~~said body along an outer surface thereof and being constructed to prevent a fish from entering said handle, ~~the~~ said body having a solid side wall, a first end and a second end wherein the first end of said body defines a first opening having a first diameter that is substantially the same as ~~slightly larger than~~ a width of ~~a~~ the fish and enables the fish to swim through the first opening and into ~~the~~ said body without bait and to be removed from ~~the~~ said body and wherein the second end includes a fixed end wall defining a single, second opening having a second diameter that is less than the first diameter and less than the width of the fish to prevent the fish from exiting or being removed from the second end of the body.

Claim 14 (Previously Presented): The fish catching device according to claim 13 wherein the body is semi- rigid.

Claim 15 (Previously Presented): The fish catching device according to claim 13 wherein the body is opaque.

Claim 16 (Previously Presented): The fish catching device according to claim 13 wherein the handle is semi-rigid.

Claim 17 (Previously Presented): The fish catching device according to claim 13 wherein the body is a tube.

Claim 18 (Cancelled)

Claim 19 (Cancelled)

Claim 20 (Currently Amended): A handheld, baitfish catching device comprising:

a handle having a first end and a second end, the first end of the handle being constructed to prevent a fish from entering the first end;

a body of unitary construction connected to the first end of the handle and defining an interior chamber, the body including a solid side wall, a first end and an opposing second end, the first end of the body defining a first opening having a first diameter that is ~~slightly larger than~~substantially the same as a width of a baitfish and the second end of the body including a fixed, end wall, defining a single, second opening having a second diameter that is less than the first diameter and less than the size of the baitfish, the body being non-rotatable with respect to the handle;

wherein the first opening defined by the first end of the body enables the baitfish to enter the chamber and to be removed from the chamber by a user, and

wherein the second opening on the fixed, end wall of the second end of the body prevents the baitfish from exiting or being removed from the chamber by the user.

Claim 21 (Previously Presented): The baitfish catching device of claim 20, wherein the body defines at least one additional opening.

Claim 22 (Previously Presented): The baitfish catching device of claim 20, wherein the body is cylindrical.